

REMEDIATION AND REDEVELOPMENT (RR) NEWS FROM WISCONSIN DNR

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Phase I and All Appropriate Inquiry Training

Those who conduct Environmental Site Assessments for commercial real estate transactions still have an opportunity for training on EPA's new rule, "Standards for Conducting All Appropriate Inquiries (AAI)". AAI is important to those seeking Superfund liability exemption as well as to local governments who want to be eligible for federal brownfield grants. To learn more, register for one of these ASTM-DNR training sessions:

- **January 30 – February 1 in Appleton, and**
- **February 6-8 in Milwaukee.**

Attendees receive the final AAI rule, the new Phase I ASTM standard and the ASTM Standards for the Phase II ESA Process. The cost of the three-day course is \$895. One attendee at the first session in Eau Claire called it "Comprehensive, practical, and well-timed! Very useful training for consultants performing ASTM ESAs for commercial real estate." The rule, which becomes effective November 1, 2006, accepts ASTM's new E 1527-05 Standard for Phase I Environmental Site Assessment (ESA) as a method to satisfy AAI. For more information, including a course description and agenda, please click on the following link:

http://dnr.wi.gov/org/aw/rr/general/calendar_detail.htm#01-30

Environmental Justice Grants from EPA

EPA has announced availability of Environmental Justice Small Grants and Environmental Justice Collaborative Problem-Solving Grants. The deadline for applications is **March 31**, 2006. EPA has scheduled six conference calls on the dates listed below, approximately two hours each, to answer questions from potential applicants. You may register for these calls at 1-800-962-6215.

- February 14, 2006, 12:30 p.m.
- February 21, 2006, 12:30 p.m.
- February 28, 2006, 12:30 p.m.
- March 7, 2006, 12:30 p.m.
- March 14, 2006, 12:30 p.m.
- March 21, 2006, 12:30 p.m.

For more information, you may call the Office of Environmental Justice Hotline at 1-800-962-6215 or check this web site

<http://www.epa.gov/compliance/environmentaljustice/grants/index.html>

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